Washington, DC - Rep. Linda Sánchez released the following statement after a meeting with President Barack Obama and other progressive House members at the White House today:

"Unlike his predecessor, President Obama has reached out to hear the concerns and priorities of members on any issue - whether he agrees or not - which is a refreshing approach. Hopes are better than ever for moving forward with legislation to create accessible, affordable, high quality healthcare this year.

"I conveyed to the President that I have strong concerns about our healthcare "system," which is one of the most expensive in the world, yet performs poorly and leaves out millions who can't afford it. Working families shouldn't have to choose between putting food on the table and taking their children to the doctor.

"The President pledged to work with us and asked for our support on healthcare reform, a high priority for him."